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OF PROTECTING HYDROXY WITH THE SAME  
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY ACCOMPANYING RCE**

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated October 30, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed April 16, 2009, concerning the above-referenced patent application. This communication is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicants have included payment for three-month extension of time minus the two months already paid to make this response timely.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: